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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 20, 2005

In response to the Office Action mailed December 20, 2005 in the above-identified patent application, Applicants submit herewith this Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.116. Applicants also submit herewith a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) for a small entity. With this extension, the Amendment and Response is considered timely filed on or before April 20, 2006.

Entry and consideration of this Amendment and Response are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.